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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of Application No. 10/076,976, filed February 15, 2002 for: TITANIUM OXIDE NANOPARTICLES, by: Xiangxin Bi, Sujeet Kumar and Nobuyuki Kambe.

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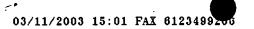
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